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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
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Application No. : 08/803,702 Confirm. No. 9092
Filed: : February 21, 1997
For: : METHOD FOR DETECTING T CELL RESPONSE
TO SPECIFIC ANTIGENS IN WHOLE BLOOD
Group Art Unit : 1644
Examiner : GERALD R. EWOLDT, Ph.D.

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
c/o P. O. Box 2327
Arlington, Virginia 22202

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed August 31, 2001, in which the rejection of claims 19 - 21, 23 - 33, 39, 40, 43, 45, 47, 49 - 55, and 61 - 63 was made final.

Applicants petition concurrently herewith for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the final rejection, extending time to respond to and including January 28, 2002.

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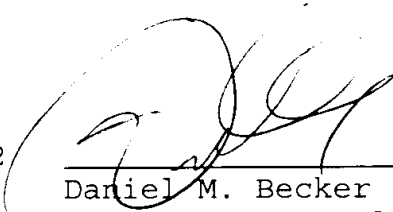
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